

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

The paragraph beginning at line 17 of page 43 has been amended as follows:

More specifically, 90% of more of the total power is concentrated. Namely, where the power of the scanning optical system 6 in the sub-scan direction is  $\phi_{so}$  and the power of the sagittal aspherical amount changing surface in the sub-scan direction is  $\phi_{si}$ , the structure is arranged to satisfy the following relation:

$$\cancel{0.9 \leq \phi_{so} \leq \phi_{si} \leq 1.1 \times \phi_{so}} \quad \underline{0.9 \times \phi_{so} \leq \phi_{si} \leq 1.1 \times \phi_{so}}$$